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MONTH OF JULY 1978

1. THIS REPORT GIVES A SUMMARY OF POLITICAL VIOLENCE AND
TERRORIST ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO US BY THE
SECURITY FORCES DURING THE MONTH OF JULY 1978.

2. JULY 1 - AT APPROXIMATELY 9:30 PM AT VILLA INSUPERABLE,
BUENOS AIES PROVINCE, SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS ASSAULTED
PRINCIPAL OFFICER NORBERTO VIETMA OF THE BUENOS AIRES
PROVINCIAL POLICE. A PEUGEOT 504 WAS USED IN THE ASSAULT.
THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE STOLEN FROM THE POLICE OFFICER:
A GREEN FORD FALCON, HIS PISTOL AND HIS CREDENTIAL.
JULY 2-3: THE PARISH PRIEST AND THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF
ESPERANZA, SANTA FE, RECEIVED MAIL FROM ROSARIO CONTAINING
COPIES OF THE PAMPHLET "ESTRELLA FEDERAL NO. 1 AND 2".
THE PAMPHLETS HAD THE DATE OF ISSUE CROSSED OUT BUT
BASED ON THEIR CONTENT IT WAS DECIDED THEY MUST BE
DATED BACK IN THE FIRST MONTHS OF 1977.

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JULY 6 - AT APPROXIMATELY MIDNIGHT, UNKNOWN NUMBER
OF INDIVIDUALS WERE OBSERVED CLIMBING ON ROOFTOP RESIDENCES

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NEAR THE HOME OF GENL. (R) VILAS IN OLIVOS, BUENOS AIRES PROV. WHEN THEIR PRESENCE WAS DISCOVERED, THEY WERE ORDERED TO SURRENDER BUT THEY COMMENCED SHOOTING AT POLICE. PATROL CARS FROM SURROUNDING AREAS ARRIVED AT THE LOCATION TO SEAL OFF THE AREA BUT THE ATTACKERS ESCAPED.

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JULY 8 - AT 11:30 PM CPL. AGUSTIN E. LACALLE OF THE PALERMO MILITARY POLICE, WHILE RETURNING TO HIS HOME, WAS INTERCEPTED BY A PERSON WHO CALLED HIM BY NAME AND THREATENED HIM WITH A PISTOL. SUBJECT WAS FORCED INTO A WHITE FIAT 600, HIS FACE COVERED AND HE WAS QUESTIONED ABOUT SECURITY MEASURES WHICH WERE TO BE TAKEN DURING THE JULY 9 MILITARY PARADE IN BUENOS AIRES. CPL. LACALLE REPLIED HE DID NOT KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THOSE MATTERS BECAUSE HE WAS A NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER WITH NO SENIORITY AND AS A RESULT HE WAS SET FREE.

JULY 12 - AT APPROXIMATELY 4:40 PM, LT.COL. EDUARDO BRACO OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVT OF BUENOS AIRES WAS ATTACKED BY THREE PERSONS IN A WHITE FIAT 1500, SUPPORTED BY A SIMILAR CAR, RED IN COLOR. THE NATURE OF THE ATTACK IS NOT DESCRIBED BUT SUBJECT WAS NOT HURT AND THE CARS ESCAPED IN AN UNKNOWN DIRECTION.

JULY 13 - AT 6:45 PM AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS DETONATED AT THE RESIDENCE OF CAPT. HAMSTROESN, (R NAVY) UNDERSECY OF MARITIME INTERESTS, AT THE CORNERS OF CELIA 3400 AND ROME, IN LA LUCILA, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE. THE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS VERY POWERFUL AND WOUNDED THREE PERSONS - THE CAPT'S 78 YR OLD MOTHER, 8 YR OLD SON AND HIS WIFE. IN ADDITION, THE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE CAUSED CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE.
- ON THE SAME DATE, THE RIO NEGRO PROVINCIAL POLICE RECEIVED A COPY OF A POSTER FROM PAMPLONA, SPAIN, ENTITLED "ARGENTINA
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ARGENTINA WORLD CUP 78 - TORTURE, CRIME, GENOCIDE AND OPPRESSION" THE POSTER ALSO HAD A CARICATURE OF PRES. VIDELA, RIDICULING HIM.

JULY 17 - MR. HUGO LORAY, REPRESENTATIVE OF "AGROGANADERA REPORTED THAT SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS FORCED THEIR WAY INTO HIS HOME IN BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE AND STOLE A SINGLE SIDE BAND RADIO TRANSMITTER AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT.
- ON THE SAME DATE, LT. (R) BERNARDO T. MONES RUIZ RECEIVED THROUGH THE MAIL FROM ABROAD AN ENVELOPE CONTAINING MONTONERO PROPAGANDA.

JULY 18 - AT 6:45 AM A BOMB EXPLODED IN A COFFEE SHOP CALLED DANIELA AT COCHABAMBA 1432, FEDERAL CAPITAL. THE

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EXPLOSIVE BRIGADE VERIFIED THAT THE BOMB WAS MADE OUT OF THREE STICKS OF TROTYL. EXPLOSION CAUSED MATERIAL DAMAGES BUT NO CASUALTIES.

JULY 19 - AT 4 AM IN FRONT OF THE HOME OF MR. HERMINIO BERUTTI IN ZARATE, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE CONTAINING PAMPHLETS WAS DETONATED. PAMPHLETS BELONGED TO THE PEOPLES REVOLUTIONARY ARMY (ERP).

JULY 20 - AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS DETONATED IN A NIGHTCLUB CALLED "YO YO" AT AVENIDA BELGRANO 400. EXPLOSION CAUSED MINOR DAMAGES.

- ON THE SAME DATE, PAMPHLETS WERE DISTRIBUTED TO DIFFERENT RESIDENCES IN LA PLATA, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE. THE CONTAINED WAR MESSAGES ISSUED BY THE MONTONEROS.

JULY 21 - AT 5:30 PM, THREE MINORS WERE APPREHENDED DISTRIBUTING MONTONERO PERONIST MOVEMENT (MPM) PAMPHLETS IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

- ON THE SAME DATE, AT 1 AM, MR. OSCAR PALMIERI REPORTED THAT FOUR INDIVIDUALS STOLE HIS FIAT 125 AND LEFT HIM BLINDFOLDED AND TIED ON AVENIDA MOSCONI AND MONTEVERDE.

JULY 24 - THE CHIEF OF SECURITY OF THE LA PLATA YPF RPT YPF REFINERY RECEIVED MAIL CONTAINING MONTONERO PROPAGANDA.

- ON THE SAME DATE, 6:30 PM, THREE EXPLOSIVE DEVICES CONTAINING MONTONERO PAMPHLETS WERE DETONATED IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

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JULY 26 - AT 2:30 AM MR. DARIO J. CARNIVELLA PRESENTED HIMSELF TO THE ROLDAN PROVINCIAL POLICE PRECINCT, SANTA FE PROVINCE, STATING THAT WHILE OPERATING HIS TRUCK

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FROM THE CITY OF SANTA FE TO TUCUMAN ON HIGHWAY 9, HE WAS INTERCEPTED BY SEVERAL UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS CARRYING WEAPONS WHO STOLE HIS TRUCK. IT WAS A MERCEDEZ BENZ, LICENSE PLATE 673286, AND A TOW TRUCK, LICENSE PLATE 332500. THE LOAD CONSISTED OF 100 MOTOROLA RADIO TRANSMITTERS. THE PERPETRATORS WERE USING TWO FIAT VEHICLES, MODELS 128 AND 125 AND A SUPPORTING FORD FALCON.

JULY 27 - MRS. NELIDA CASTELLO DE CHRUVIJA REPORTED THAT SHE HAD RECEIVED THROUGH THE MAIL A PAMPHLET OF THE FEMININE BRANCH OF THE MPM. THE PAMPHLET WAS ENTITLED, "OUR HOMAGE TO EVITA: RESISTANCE TO DICTATORSHIP".

- ON THE SAME DATE, THE SWITCHBOARD OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND POST OFFICE IN SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO RECEIVED AN ANONYMOUS TELEPHONE CALL STATING A BOMB WOULD GO OFF IN THE BUILDING. EXPLOSIVE EXPERTS CHECK THE BUILDING WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. IT IS BELIEVED THE CALL WAS MADE TO CREATE PROBLEMS IN THE NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE POST OFFICE AS WELL AS CREATE DIFFICULTIES WITH THE U.S. AMBASSADOR'S VISIT TO THAT CITY. RSO COMMENT: AMBASSADOR CASTRO VISITED SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO JULY 26-27. THERE WERE NO SECURITY PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED. IN GENERAL, SECURITY

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